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AMEND Senate Bill No. 281*

House Bill No. 329

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-3-306(a), is amended by adding the following as a new subdivision:

(3) The state salary schedule for teachers formulated by the commissioner pursuant to subdivision (a)(1) must establish a base salary that is no less than:

(A) Forty-two thousand dollars (\$42,000) for the 2023-2024 school year;

(B) Forty-four thousand five hundred dollars (\$44,500) for the 2024-2025 school year;

(C) Forty-seven thousand dollars (\$47,000) for the 2025-2026 school year; and

(D) Fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) for the 2026-2027 school year.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 2, Part 1, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

(a) As used in this section:

(1) "Dues" means the fees imposed on individuals as a condition of their participation or membership in a professional employees' organization; and

(2) "Professional employees' organization" has the same meaning as defined in § 49-5-602.

(b) Notwithstanding chapter 5, part 6 of this title, an LEA shall not deduct dues from the payroll of the LEA's employees for a professional employees' organization,



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including, but not limited to, a professional employees' organization that is affiliated with a labor organization exempt under 26 U.S.C. § 501(c)(5).

(c) This section does not prohibit an employee of an LEA from personally and voluntarily remitting dues to a professional employees' organization.

SECTION 3. This act takes effect on July 1, 2023, the public welfare requiring it.

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AMEND Senate Bill No. 198*

House Bill No. 250

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and substituting:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-6001(b)(4), is amended by deleting subdivision (A) and substituting instead the following:

(A) As a strategy for assessing and certifying students' career readiness and providing students with more choices in identifying career pathways, LEAs and public charter schools shall provide each high school senior the opportunity to take nationally recognized assessments; provided, that the assessments:

(i) Are standardized, criterion-referenced tests designed to measure a broad range of foundational workplace skills;

(ii) Adhere to the Standards for Educational and Psychological Testing developed by the American Educational Research Association, American Psychological Association, and National Council on Measurement in Education;

(iii) Assess and confirm readiness for a variety of jobs;

(iv) Measure skills in a broad range of areas, including:

(a) Critical thinking, mathematical reasoning, and problem-solving techniques in workplace situations;

(b) Reading and comprehending graphic materials, including charts, graphs, diagrams, and floor plans to solve work-related problems; and

(c) Reading and comprehending written information in documents, including emails, letters, directions, signs, bulletins, policies,



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websites, contracts, and regulations to make decisions and solve problems;

(v) Align with research-based skill requirement profiles for specific industries and occupations;

(vi) Lead to nationally recognized work-readiness certificates or credentials for individuals who meet the minimum proficiency requirements on the component assessments;

(vii) Are available in paper and computer-based formats;

(viii) Are aligned with a self-paced, modular skills curriculum that allows for skill remediation; and

(ix) Is competitively procured by the department of education.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

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AMEND Senate Bill No. 881

House Bill No. 36*

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-13-122, is amended by deleting subdivision (a)(1) and substituting:

(1) An authorizer, excluding the achievement school district, may revoke a public charter school agreement if the public charter school receives identification as a priority school, as defined by the state's accountability system pursuant to § 49-1-602; provided, however, that an authorizer shall not revoke a public charter school agreement based on the public charter school being identified as a priority school on the priority school list issued in 2022 or 2023. The revocation takes effect immediately following the close of the school year in which the public charter school is identified as a priority school.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-13-122, is amended by deleting subdivision (a)(3) and substituting:

(3) An authorizer, excluding the achievement school district, shall revoke a public charter school agreement if the public charter school receives identification as a priority school for two (2) consecutive cycles. The revocation takes effect immediately following the close of the school year in which the public charter school is identified as a priority school for the second consecutive cycle. The priority school lists issued in 2022 and 2023 shall not be considered a priority school cycle for purposes of this subdivision (a)(3) and shall not subject a public charter school to automatic revocation of its charter agreement.

SECTION 3. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.



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AMEND Senate Bill No. 916*

House Bill No. 1165

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and substituting:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-4503, is amended by adding the following as new subsections:

(e) If a law enforcement officer, school resource officer, or other school security officer investigates harassment, intimidation, bullying, hazing, or cyber-bullying of a student or visitor of a school in an LEA who is under eighteen (18) years of age and the harassment, intimidation, bullying, hazing, or cyber-bullying involves an alleged criminal offense, then the law enforcement officer, school resource officer, or other school security officer shall file a report with a law enforcement agency with jurisdiction regarding the alleged offense in accordance with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) (20 U.S.C. § 1232g). For purposes of this subsection (e), "law enforcement officer" does not include law enforcement officers employed by the department of safety.

(f) A person who knowingly interferes with a law enforcement officer's, school resource officer's, or other school security officer's efforts to consult with a district attorney general's office regarding an alleged criminal offense involving harassment, intimidation, bullying, hazing, or cyber-bullying of a person who is under eighteen (18) years of age commits a Class A misdemeanor.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-4502, is amended by adding the following as a new subdivision:



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(4) "Hazing" means an intentional or a reckless act in this state, on or off LEA property, by one (1) student acting alone or with others, that is directed against any other student that endangers the mental or physical health or safety of that student, or that induces or coerces a student to endanger that student's mental or physical health or safety. "Hazing" does not include customary athletic events or similar contests or competitions.

SECTION 3. This act takes effect July 1, 2023, the public welfare requiring it.

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AMEND Senate Bill No. 724*

House Bill No. 786

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and substituting:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-5-106, is amended by deleting subsection (i) and substituting:

(i)

(1) After a director of schools or a director of a public charter school notifies the director's local board of education or the governing body of the director's public charter school, as applicable, that the LEA or public charter school is unable to secure a qualified occupational educator with a valid occupational teaching license for a course of study in which a vacancy exists, the director of schools or the director of the public charter school may certify the same to the commissioner of education.

(2) Upon the commissioner's receipt of the certification described in subdivision (i)(1), the commissioner may grant, on behalf of the state board of education, under conditions prescribed in the state board's rules, a temporary permit to teach in the unfilled position to a person recommended by the director of schools or the director of the public charter school, who:

(A) Does not hold a bachelor's degree or an active industry license or credential, including those issued by another state, for the area of endorsement, as defined by the department of education, but who has a minimum of five (5) years of relevant work experience, completed within the last ten (10) years, or three (3) years of relevant work experience,



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completed within the last five (5) years, in the area of endorsement or equivalent educational attainment, as defined by the department of education; or

(B) Is an honorably discharged veteran of the armed forces, who has a minimum of five (5) years of relevant work experience, completed within the last ten (10) years, or three (3) years of relevant work experience, completed within the last five (5) years, in the area of endorsement or equivalent educational attainment, as defined by the department of education. As used in this subdivision (i)(2)(B), "work experience" includes, but is not limited to, military service, training, and experience.

(3) A temporary permit issued pursuant to this subsection (i) is valid only until June 30 immediately following the date of the permit's issuance and is not renewable. An individual may only be issued one (1) temporary permit under this subsection (i).

SECTION 2. This act takes effect July 1, 2023, at 12:01 a.m., the public welfare requiring it.

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AMEND Senate Bill No. 274*

House Bill No. 322

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-802(a), is amended by deleting the word "education" and substituting instead the word "safety".

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-802(b)(1), is amended by deleting the word "safety" and substituting instead the word "education".

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-802(b), is amended by adding the following subdivisions:

() A representative of the Tennessee Sheriffs' Association;

() A representative of the Tennessee Association of Chiefs of Police;

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-803, is amended by deleting the language "the director of the Tennessee school safety center established in § 49-6-4302" and substituting instead the language "the commissioner of safety".

SECTION 5. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-804, is amended by deleting the section and substituting:

49-6-804. Safety plans and security systems.

(a) Each LEA, and to the extent applicable, each public charter school, shall adopt a comprehensive district-wide school safety plan and building-level school safety plans regarding crisis intervention, emergency response, and emergency management. The plans must be developed by a district-wide school safety team and a building-level school safety team established pursuant to this part and must follow the template developed by the state-level safety team. An LEA or public charter school having only



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one (1) school building shall develop a single building-level school safety plan, which must also fulfill all requirements for the development of a district-wide plan. Each LEA and public charter school shall review each of the plans it adopts pursuant to this subsection (a) annually.

(b) A meeting concerning school security, the district-wide school safety plans, or the building-level school safety plans shall not be subject to the open meetings laws compiled in title 8, chapter 44. Though closed to the general public, reasonable notice must be provided to the general public prior to such a meeting. The local board of education or public charter school governing body shall not discuss or deliberate on any issues or subjects other than school security or the school safety plans adopted pursuant to this section during such a meeting.

(c) By July 1, 2023, and by each July 1 thereafter, each LEA and public charter school shall provide the following to each local law enforcement agency with jurisdiction, the department of education, and the department of safety:

(1) The LEA's, and to the extent applicable, the public charter school's, district-wide school safety plan;

(2) The building-level school safety plan for each school in the LEA or each public charter school; and

(3) The floor plans for all school buildings within the LEA or used by the public charter school.

(d) Each LEA and public charter school shall also provide the school safety plans described in subsection (c) to a law enforcement agency or other emergency response organization participating in an armed intruder drill under § 49-6-807.

(e) Upon the request of a local law enforcement agency with jurisdiction, the department of education, or the department of safety, the LEA or public charter school shall provide any other plans, information, or records regarding school security.

(f)

(1) During a drill or in an emergency situation, each LEA or public charter school shall, to the greatest extent practicable, provide a responding law enforcement agency with access to security systems that may be required for the law enforcement agency's response.

(2) For purposes of this subsection (f), "security systems" includes, but is not limited to, audio recording systems, visual recording systems, and any other cameras, alarm systems, fire systems, communication systems, or other security measures in a school building.

(g) This section does not diminish the jurisdiction of local law enforcement agencies.

SECTION 6. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-805, is amended by adding the following as a new subdivision:

(10) Policies and procedures to ensure that all individuals providing direct services to students or school staff in response to a school crisis have received the appropriate background checks in compliance with state law, including § 49-5-413.

SECTION 7. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-807, is amended by deleting the section and substituting instead the following:

49-6-807. Annual drills.

(a) Each school safety team shall annually conduct at least one (1):

- (1) Armed intruder drill;
- (2) Incident command drill; and
- (3) Emergency safety bus drill.

(b)

(1) Each armed intruder drill must be conducted in coordination with the appropriate local law enforcement agency.

(2) Each incident command drill must:

(A) Be conducted without students present; and

(B) Prepare school staff and law enforcement agencies on what to expect in the event of an emergency situation in the school.

(3) Each emergency safety bus drill must:

(A) Be conducted without students present; and

(B) Prepare school staff and law enforcement agencies on what to expect in the event of an emergency situation on a school bus.

(c) The results of a drill conducted pursuant to subsection (a) must be:

(1) Maintained by the school for a minimum of five (5) years; and

(2) Made available to a local law enforcement agency with jurisdiction, the department of education, or the department of safety upon request.

(d) The drills required in subsection (a) are in addition to the drills required in § 68-102-137.

SECTION 8. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-808(b), is amended by adding the language "and each building-level school safety plan" after the language "its district-wide comprehensive safety plan".

SECTION 9. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-808(c), is amended by adding the language "and school building floor plans provided pursuant to this section and § 49-6-804" after the language "Building-level emergency response plans".

SECTION 10. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 6, Part 8, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

49-6-817. School building entrances required to be locked.

(a) Each LEA and public charter school shall ensure that all exterior doors leading into a school building are locked at all times and access to school buildings is limited to the school's primary entrance, unless otherwise determined by school policy, to prevent unauthorized entry into the school building while students are present during the school day as well as when students are present outside of regular school hours for school-related purposes or activities.

(b) Notwithstanding subsection (a), outside of regular school hours, an LEA or public charter school may allow a school to unlock the door to the school building's primary entrance during a school-related event or activity if the door is continuously monitored by a school or LEA employee who is physically present at the door to ensure access is limited to only authorized persons and to alert others if an unauthorized person enters, or attempts to enter, the school building.

(c) State and local law enforcement personnel are authorized to inspect a door serving as an entrance to, or exit from, a school building to determine whether the door is locked as required by subsection (a). There is no limit on the number of inspections law enforcement personnel may conduct under this subsection (c). Except as provided in subsection (b), if law enforcement personnel find that the door to an entrance or exit from a school building is unlocked in violation of subsection (a), then the school must immediately lock the door and the law enforcement agency that found the unlocked door shall, within twenty-four (24) hours, send written notification to:

- (1) The LEA's director of schools or the leader of the public charter school, as applicable;
- (2) The chair of the local board of education or public charter school governing body, as applicable;
- (3) The head of the parent-teacher organization for the LEA or public charter school, if there is such an organization for the public charter school;
- (4) The school principal;
- (5) The department of safety; and
- (6) The department of education.

(d) The LEA's director of schools, the leader of the public charter school, or their respective designees, shall, within forty-eight (48) hours of receiving notification from the law enforcement agency under subsection (c), send written confirmation to the notifying law enforcement agency that the door was immediately locked as required by subsection

(a) and that processes are in place to ensure that the door remains locked as required by subsection (a), except as authorized in subsection (b). The director, leader, or their respective designee shall send a copy of the director's, leader's, or their respective designee's written confirmation to the recipients identified in subdivisions (c)(2)-(6). The director's, leader's, or their respective designee's written confirmation must state whether the LEA or public charter school employs a full-time school resource officer whose primary location is the school found to be in violation of subsection (a).

(e)

(1) If a school is found to have violated subsection (a) on two (2) or more occasions in one (1) school year, then:

(A) If the LEA or public charter school does not currently have a school resource officer whose primary location is the school found to have violated subsection (a) on two (2) or more occasions in one (1) school year, the LEA or public charter school shall cause a full-time school resource officer or armed school security officer to be posted at the school. The LEA or public charter school shall bear the cost of posting the school resource officer or armed school security officer. The school resource officer or armed school security officer must be posted at the school within thirty (30) days from the date on which the LEA or public charter school received notification under subsection (d) of the school's second violation of subsection (a). The LEA or public charter school shall notify the commissioner of education that the required school resource officer or armed school security officer is posted. If the LEA or public charter school fails to post a school resource officer or armed school security officer within thirty (30) days as required in this subdivision (e)(1), then the commissioner shall withhold state funds from the LEA or public charter school, in either the current or upcoming school year, in the

amount of two percent (2%) of the annual state funds generated by the school in the TISA, as defined in § 49-3-104. If the LEA or public charter school fails to post a school resource officer or armed school security officer within thirty (30) days as required in this subdivision (e)(1)(A), then the LEA or public charter school must submit a letter to the commissioner every thirty (30) days that an officer is not posted explaining why the LEA or public charter school, as applicable, has not posted an officer.

(B) If the department of education receives notice of a subsequent violation of subsection (a) by the school in one (1) school year, the commissioner shall withhold state funds from the LEA or public charter school, in either the current or upcoming school year, in the following amounts:

(i) For a third violation of subsection (a) committed by a school in one (1) school year, two percent (2%) of the annual state funds generated by the school in the TISA;

(ii) For a fourth violation of subsection (a) committed by a school in one (1) school year, four percent (4%) of the annual state funds generated by the school in the TISA;

(iii) For a fifth violation of subsection (a) committed by a school in one (1) school year, six percent (6%) of the annual state funds generated by the school in the TISA;

(iv) For a sixth violation of subsection (a) committed by a school in one (1) school year, eight percent (8%) of the annual state funds generated by the school in the TISA; and

(v) For a seventh violation of subsection (a) committed by a school in one (1) school year, ten percent (10%) of the annual state funds generated by the school in the TISA; or

(C) If the LEA or public charter school currently posts a full-time school resource officer or armed school security officer whose primary location is the school found to have violated subsection (a) on two (2) or more occasions, the commissioner shall withhold state funds from the LEA or public charter school, in either the current or upcoming school year, in the following amounts:

(i) For the second violation of subsection (a) committed by the school in one (1) school year, two percent (2%) of the annual state funds generated by the school in the TISA;

(ii) For a third violation of subsection (a) committed by the school in one (1) school year, four percent (4%) of the annual state funds generated by the school in the TISA;

(iii) For a fourth violation of subsection (a) committed by the school in one (1) school year, six percent (6%) of the annual state funds generated by the school in the TISA;

(iv) For a fifth violation of subsection (a) committed by the school in one (1) school year, eight percent (8%) of the annual state funds generated by the school in the TISA; and

(v) For a sixth violation of subsection (a) committed by the school in one (1) school year, ten percent (10%) of the annual state funds generated by the school in the TISA.

(2) If funds are withheld pursuant to subdivision (e)(1)(A) or (B), then the funds must be withheld until:

(A) The LEA or public charter school posts the required school resource officer or armed school security officer; and

(B) The LEA or public charter school submits to the department of education, and receives the department's approval of, a corrective action plan. The corrective action plan must include:

(i) A statement or other evidence demonstrating that the violation of subsection (a) has been remedied;

(ii) Actions to be taken by the LEA or public charter school to resolve the behavior or issue that contributed to, or caused, the violation, including any new written procedures or training;

(iii) Deadlines for the LEA or public charter school to successfully complete the actions identified in the corrective action plan pursuant to subdivision (e)(2)(B)(ii); and

(iv) Dates for the LEA or public charter school to submit reports and documentation to the department to verify the LEA's or public charter school's implementation of the actions identified in the corrective action plan pursuant to subdivision (e)(2)(B)(ii).

(3) The percentage of any funds withheld pursuant to subdivision (e)(1)(A) or (B) must be calculated by the department of education based on the amount of state funds generated by the school in the TISA for the previous school year. If a public charter school did not generate state funds in the previous school year, then the percentage of any funds withheld pursuant to subdivision (e)(1)(A) or (B) must be based on the average amount of state funds generated by the schools in the LEA in which the public charter school is located.

(f) As used in this section, "armed school security officer" means an off-duty law enforcement officer providing school security services pursuant to § 49-6-809.

SECTION 11. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-810, is amended by deleting the language "shall report" and substituting instead the language "and the commissioner of safety shall jointly report".

SECTION 12. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 6, Part 8, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

49-6-818. School buildings constructed or remodeled after July 1, 2023.

(a) A public school building, including a public charter school building, constructed or remodeled after July 1, 2023, must:

(1) Include a door-locking mechanism on each classroom door that allows the classroom door to be locked from the inside; and

(2) At least one (1) secure vestibule that serves as the primary entrance to the school building and that contains two (2) separate sets of doors that are each capable of being locked separately to prevent a person from entering the school building until an LEA or school employee authorizes a person to enter.

(b) The date on which a public school building, including a public charter school building, is constructed for purposes of this section is the date on which the plans for the school building were approved by the agency having jurisdiction to approve construction of the school building or the date on which the construction permit was issued for the school building, whichever occurs first.

(c) If a public school building, including a public charter school building, is remodeled, then the requirements specified in subsection (a) only apply to the portions of the building that are remodeled.

(d) As used in this section, "remodeled":

(1) Means a change to an existing building or facility, including, but not limited to, renovation, rehabilitation, reconstruction, historic restoration, changes or rearrangement in structural parts or elements, and changes or rearrangement in the plan configuration of walls and full-height partitions; and

(2) Does not include routine maintenance, reroofing, painting or wallpapering, asbestos removal, or changes to mechanical or electrical systems so long as the changes do not affect the usability of the building or facility.

SECTION 13. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-2701(a), is amended by deleting the language "may adopt" and substituting instead the language "shall adopt".

SECTION 14. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-2701(c), is amended by adding the following as a new subdivision:

(10) Coordinate with state agencies providing support services and technical assistance to local threat assessment teams.

SECTION 15. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-2701(e), is amended by deleting the language "the local board of education and the director of schools" and substituting instead the language "the local board of education, the director of schools, the department of safety, the Tennessee school safety center, and the members of the state-level safety team established pursuant to § 49-6-802(a)".

SECTION 16. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-4302(a), is amended by adding the language ", in collaboration with the department of safety," after the language "The department of education".

SECTION 17. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-4302, is amended by deleting subsection (f) and substituting:

(f) The department of safety, in collaboration with the department of education, shall develop a school security assessment for use in Tennessee public schools. The departments shall provide training to local law enforcement agencies and school administrators on the use of the school security assessment to identify school security vulnerabilities. Each LEA and public charter school shall submit to the department of safety an annual school security self-assessment for each school that uses the school security assessment pursuant to this subsection (f). The department of safety may conduct periodic reviews of public schools, as it deems necessary, to verify the effective implementation and use of school security assessments to enhance school security.

SECTION 18. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 10-7-504(p), is amended by designating the existing language as subdivision (1) and adding the following as a new subdivision (2):

(2)

(A) All school security reports, memoranda, plans, notes, threats, and procedures, including drafts that are incorporated in reports created or received by the department of safety, must be treated as confidential and shall not be open for inspection by members of the public.

(B) This subdivision (p)(2) shall not be construed to limit access to those records by law enforcement agencies, courts, or other governmental agencies performing official functions.

SECTION 19. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 62-35-102, is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

() "Public school" means an elementary or secondary school operated by a local education agency, as defined in § 49-1-103, or by the state with public funds;

SECTION 20. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 62-35-103(a), is amended by deleting subdivision (1) and substituting instead the following:

(1) A government officer or employee performing official duties; provided, that this exemption shall not apply to a security guard or security officer who is providing security or patrol services at or in a public school;

SECTION 21. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 62-35-118(a), is amended by deleting subdivision (1) and substituting instead the following:

(1)

(A) Within fifteen (15) days of employment:

(i) An unarmed security guard or security officer applicant must complete general training and pass an examination; and

(ii) An armed security guard or security officer applicant must complete general training, pass an examination, and complete the training in subsection (b) within sixty (60) days of employment.

(B) Notwithstanding subdivision (a)(1)(A):

(i) An individual shall not be posted as an unarmed security guard at or in a public school or act as an unarmed security guard at or in a public school, unless the individual has completed the requirements of subdivision (a)(2)(A) before being posted; and

(ii) An individual shall not be posted as an armed security guard at or in a public school or act as an armed security guard at or in a public school, unless the individual has completed the requirements of subdivision (a)(2)(A) and subsections (b) and (e) before being posted.

SECTION 22. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 62-35-118, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

(e) Before providing security or patrol services at or in a public school, an armed security guard or security officer applicant must complete an active-shooter training. The training required under this subsection (e) must be no less than eight (8) hours in duration and must be completed by each armed security guard or officer providing security or patrol services at or in a public school, regardless of whether the armed security guard or officer is employed by a public school or a contract security company.

SECTION 23. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 62-35-122, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

(g) An armed security guard or officer providing security or patrol services at or in a public school must complete an active shooter refresher training approved by the commissioner before the individual's registration card may be renewed.

SECTION 24. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 62-35-134, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

(d) It is unlawful for any person, contract security company, or proprietary security organization to post a security guard or officer at or in a public school if the security guard or officer is not properly registered, working on a pending application, or otherwise appropriately trained as required in § 62-35-118.

SECTION 25. The headings in this act are for reference purposes only and do not constitute a part of the law enacted by this act. However, the Tennessee Code Commission is requested to include the headings in any compilation or publication containing this act.

SECTION 26. For purposes of promulgating rules, this act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, this act takes effect on July 1, 2023, the public welfare requiring it.

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AMEND Senate Bill No. 1221

House Bill No. 424*

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and substituting:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 5, Part 1, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

(a) The commissioner of education may grant, on behalf of the state board of education, under the conditions prescribed by the state board's rules, an individual pursuing clinical experience in an educator preparation program (EPP) who meets the requirements of subsection (b) a temporary permit to teach in a teaching position in which an LEA or public charter school is unable to secure a qualified teacher with a valid license for the type and kind of school in which a vacancy exists.

(b) To be eligible to receive a temporary permit pursuant to subsection (a):

(1) An individual must:

(A) Be enrolled in an EPP and have completed all of the coursework in the program except for the clinical experience required pursuant to § 49-5-5604; and

(B) Submit with the individual's application for a temporary permit a letter of recommendation from the EPP in which the individual is enrolled; and

(2) A director of schools or a director of a public charter school must submit a conditional offer of employment made by the respective director of schools or the director of the public charter school for the individual to fill a position for which the LEA or public charter school is unable to secure a qualified



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teacher with a valid license for the type and kind of school in which a vacancy exists. The conditional offer of employment must include a certification by the director of schools or the director of the public charter school that the director has notified the commissioner of the LEA's or public charter school's inability to fill the vacancy and its intent to employ the individual pursuant to a temporary permit issued pursuant to this section.

(c) The commissioner may grant an individual a temporary permit pursuant to this section authorizing the individual to teach a course requiring an end-of-course examination to satisfy the graduation requirements established by the state board if the individual demonstrates sufficient content knowledge in the course material by taking and passing, at the teacher's own expense, a standardized or criterion-referenced test for the content area in accordance with § 49-6-6006.

(d) Notwithstanding subsection (a), the commissioner shall not grant an individual a temporary permit to teach a physical education class required under § 49-6-1021(e) or a special education course.

(e) A temporary permit issued pursuant to this section is valid only until June 30 following the date of the permit's issuance and shall not be renewed.

(f) A director of schools or a director of a public charter school who learns of the conviction of a teacher holding a temporary permit who is employed by the LEA or public charter school, respectively, for any offense listed in § 49-5-417(a) shall report the conviction to the state board. The state board shall set the time frame within which a director of schools or a director of a public charter school must report a conviction of a teacher holding a temporary permit. The state board may specify other offenses for which a director of schools or a director of a public charter school is required to report to the state board upon learning of a conviction of a teacher holding a temporary permit for any such offense.

(g) A director of schools or a director of a public charter school shall report to the state board teachers holding a temporary permit who are employed by the LEA or public charter school, respectively, who have been suspended or dismissed, or who have resigned, following allegations of conduct, including sexual misconduct, which, if substantiated, would warrant consideration for disciplinary action under state board rules. As used in this subsection (g), "sexual misconduct" has the same meaning as defined in § 49-5-417(c)(5).

(h) An individual who teaches under a temporary permit issued pursuant to this section satisfies the clinical experience required pursuant to § 49-5-5604 if:

(1) The individual is assigned to, and receives guidance, evaluations, and instructions from, an educator for an amount of time that is at least equal to the amount of time required for candidates of the EPP in which the individual is enrolled to meet the EPP's clinical experience requirements;

(2) The educator assigned to the individual evaluates the individual as having adequately met the same requirements that candidates of the EPP in which the individual is enrolled must meet in order to satisfy the clinical experience requirements of § 49-5-5604; and

(3) The individual teaches under a temporary permit for an amount of time that is at least equal to the amount of time required for candidates of the EPP in which the individual is enrolled to complete the clinical experience requirements of § 49-5-5604.

(i) The state board of education shall promulgate rules to effectuate the purposes of this section. The rules must be promulgated in accordance with the Uniform Administrative Procedures Act, compiled in title 4, chapter 5.

SECTION 2. For purposes of promulgating rules, this act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, this act takes effect July 1, 2023, the public welfare requiring it.

Amendment No. _____

Signature of Sponsor

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AMEND Senate Bill No. 1216

House Bill No. 1088*

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-3-107, is amended by deleting subsection (c) and substituting instead the following:

(c)

(1) Subject to available appropriations, an LEA that experiences ADM growth in non-virtual schools exceeding two percent (2%) for each year of a three-consecutive-year period is eligible for an infrastructure stipend.

(2) Notwithstanding subdivision (c)(1), and subject to available appropriations, an LEA that experienced ADM growth in non-virtual schools exceeding two percent (2%) in the 2019-2020, 2022-2023, and 2023-2024 school years is eligible for an infrastructure stipend for the 2023-2024 school year.

(3) The infrastructure stipend is a per-student flat dollar amount based on the number of member students in non-virtual schools in the LEA for the current school year in excess of a two percent (2%) ADM growth in non-virtual schools from the prior year. An infrastructure stipend in a given year must be uniform for all eligible LEAs.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect July 1, 2023, at 12:01 a.m., the public welfare requiring it.



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